

ARTICLE APPEARED
ON PAGE 20

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS
25 January 1978

Turner Wins Bigger Slice Of Spy Pie

Washington (News Bureau) — President Carter signed an executive order yesterday giving embattled Central Intelligence Director Stansfield Turner more control over the intelligence budgets of all U.S. agencies.

At the same time, Carter spelled out forbidden activities — assassinations, medical experimentation on human subjects and covert operations by any agency except the CIA.

In signing the order in the White House Cabinet Room Carter said, "I want to express my complete appreciation of and confidence in Adm. Turner."

There have been persistent published reports in the last few days that Turner may be on his way out as CIA director because he has antagonized Pentagon officials and influential National Security Council Staffers.

Turner Clams Up

United Press International reported that Turner had agreed to go if he was named to an "equally prestigious" post, such as chief of naval operations or chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, two posts that will open up this summer.

But Turner, testifying on Capitol Hill yesterday, paraphrased Mark Twain: "Reports of my demise are grossly exaggerated." He then made an about-face in a Capitol Hill hallway and strode briskly away without answering any more questions.

Carter's executive order is not expected to mean substantial change in the way intelligence is collected and collated. Although Turner will have control over the approximate \$8 billion intelligence budget, the Pentagon spends more money on intelligence than does the CIA, and Secretary of Defense Harold Brown, a Turner critic, will still exercise great control over such agencies as the giant 100,000 - person National Security Agency, the electronic eavesdroppers.